

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK
February 19, 2009
5:30 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Donald Kasprzak, Councilors Tim Carpenter (W1), Michael Kelly (W2), Jim Calnon (W4), Amy Valentine (W5), Chris Jackson (W6)

Absent: George Rabideau (W3)

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on February 12, 2009 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending February 18, 2009 in the amount of **\$ 233,640.51** are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Calnon; Seconded by Councilor Jackson
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of February 12-18, 2009
- Report from the Building Inspector's Office from January 30- February 17, 2009
- Report of the Parking Violations Bureau from January 2009
- Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals from May 19, 2008

RESOLVED: That the reports as read are hereby ordered, received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

4. AUDITS OF CLAIMS

RESOLVED: That the bills approved by the Auditing Committee of the Common Council in the amount of \$ 318,427.11 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk (where required) are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Jackson
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

5. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL

None

6. OTHER ITEMS

A. Request from Community Development for the Mayor to sign and submit the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal Grant application under the HOME program for citywide housing rehabilitation.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Mayor to sign and submit the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal Grant application under the HOME program for citywide housing rehabilitation.

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Valentine
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

B. Request from Community Development for the Mayor to sign a grant disbursement agreement with the Empire State Development Corporation for a project identified as "Restore NY Communities FY 2007-08," a copy of which is made part of the minutes of this meeting.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Mayor to sign a grant disbursement agreement with the Empire State Development Corporation for a project identified as "Restore NY Communities FY 2007-08," a copy of which is made part of the minutes of this meeting.

By Councilor Carpenter; Second by Councilor Kelly
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

C. Request from Community Development for the Mayor to sign a grant disbursement agreement with the Office of Community Renewal for NYS Main Street SHARS 20084062, a copy of which is made part of the minutes of this meeting.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Mayor to sign a grant disbursement agreement with the Office of Community Renewal for NYS Main Street SHARS 20084062, a copy of which is made part of the minutes of this meeting.

By Councilor Carpenter; Second by Councilor Valentine

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. Request from Public Works to change the language of approved resolution from January 22, 2009 under "Other Items" letter H to read:

WHEREAS, the City of Plattsburgh from time to time receives permits from the Department of Transportation (DOT) to temporarily obstruct, install, construct, maintain, operate or replace any facilities within the bounds of a State highway right-of-way, and

WHEREAS, the City of Plattsburgh is required by NYSDOT to indemnify or hold harmless agencies and/or officials of the State of New York for such temporary obstructions, installations, construction or maintenance,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Donald Kasprzak of the City of Plattsburgh, is authorized to execute the Undertaking in Connection with Highway Permits issued by NYSDOT agreement.

By Councilor Kelly; Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

E. Request from the City Clerk that the Mayor be authorized to sign an amendment to the Service Agreement with Primelink.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Mayor be authorized to sign an amendment to the Service Agreement with Primelink.

By Councilor Calnon; Second by Councilor Valentine

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

F. Motion to waive Rule 4 for initial item “Request from MLD for a budget adjustment that will decrease the budgeted deficit by a net total of \$104,402 based on two abolished positions.”

By Councilor Jackson, Second by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves MLD for a budget adjustment that will decrease the budgeted deficit by a net total of \$104,402 based on two abolished positions.

By Councilor Jackson, Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

G. Motion to waive Rule 4 for initial items “Request from the City Chamberlain to circulate an RFP for audit services for a three year period from 2008 to 2010” and “Request from Chief Desmond Racicot for Detective Edward Smith to travel to Hudson, NY on February 23-25 to attend the “Division of Criminal Justice Services Property/Evidence Room Management Course” at a cost not to exceed \$123 which will be paid out of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.”

By Councilor Calnon, Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to circulate an RFP for audit services for a three year period from 2008 to 2010

By Councilor Calnon, Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Detective Edward Smith to travel to Hudson, NY on February 23-25 to attend the “Division of Criminal Justice Services Property/Evidence Room Management Course” at a cost not to exceed \$123 which will be paid out of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

By Councilor Calnon, Second by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion:

Councilor Kelly wanted everyone to know that Detective Smith has volunteered to stay with family

members instead of a hotel and Kelly thought that was admirable.

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

7. TRAVEL REQUESTS

A. Request from Chief Desmond Racicot for Detective Edward Smith to travel to Albany, NY on April 7-8, 2009 to attend the “Breath Analysis Instructor Update and Standardization Field Sobriety Testing Update Instructor Training” at a cost not to exceed \$234 for lodging and meals which will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture Fund.

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Detective Edward Smith to travel to Albany, NY on April 7-8, 2009 to attend the “Breath Analysis Instructor Update and Standardization Field Sobriety Testing Update Instructor Training” at a cost not to exceed \$234 for lodging and meals which will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture Fund.

By Councilor Calnon; Second by Councilor Jackson

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

7. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION

- 1.** Request from MLD to advertise for Bid No. 2009-3-1 46kV Transmission Line Relocation on Tom Miller Road and I-87.
- 2.** Request from MLD for a budget adjustment that will decrease the budgeted deficit by a net total of \$104,402 based on two abolished positions.
(Moved to Agenda Other Items Letter F)
- 3.** Request from the City Chamberlain to circulate an RFP for audit services for a three year period from 2008 to 2010.
(Moved to Agenda Other Items Letter G)
- 4.** Request from the Center for Women’s Concern to hold a march on April 17, 2009 to bring awareness to sexual violence against women and men.
- 5.** Request from Chief Desmond Racicot for Officer Robert Annis to travel to Syracuse, NY on March 5-6, 2009 to attend the “State of New York Police Juvenile Officers Board Meeting” at a cost not to exceed \$95 which will be paid out of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.
- 6.** Request from Chief Desmond Racicot for Detective Edward Smith to travel to Hudson, NY on February 23-25 to attend the “Division of Criminal Justice Services Property/Evidence

Room Management Course” at a cost not to exceed \$123 which will be paid out of the Asset Forfeiture Fund.

(Moved to Agenda Other Items Letter G)

8. NEW BUSINESS

Councilor Kelly announced that there will be a MLD Board meeting on February 26th immediately following the Common Councilor Meeting.

Councilor Jackson thanked Bill Treacy and John Clute for revising the job descriptions.

Councilor Kelly announced that Doctor Paul Connett will becoming March 12th to give a presentation on fluoride and he needs 40 minutes.

9. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:43 p.m.